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Heavy gusts — **Storm leaves debris; sets wind records**

By Jim Bennett
Editor

Francoise Standifer awoke early Sunday morning to the sound of a deck chair flying over her trailer. She wasn't alone.

Across the island, wind speeds topped 60 mph and exceeded record levels for Kwajalein as a violent storm blew across the island between 2 and 3 a.m.

No one was injured, though as many as 25 trees were mangled, fences were knocked over and lawn furniture thrown. The Marshallese Cultural Center suffered damage, as traditional structures on the front lawn caved in on themselves under the heavy gusts. A trampoline flew across Ocean Road from the Stoddard home, wrapping itself around a tree in the yard of their neighbors, the Scotts.

Winds gusted to 67 mph around 2:03 a.m., topping all recorded wind speeds for the month of August, according to Aeromet meteorologist Bruce Sinkula. The storm sustained winds of more than 40 mph for 15 minutes.

The gusts exceeded wind speeds recorded during Typhoon Paka in 1997 and set the second highest record ever, behind 81 mph winds observed in 1991, Sinkula said.

"The conditions were perfect for this wicked event," Sinkula said.

The storm originally appeared to carry 30-40 mph winds, but around 2 a.m., as it passed west of Namu and just east of Kwaj, the storm suddenly mushroomed

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(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Jackson John drills a hole where an air duct will be installed at a residence under reconstruction at Qtrs. 460.

Old housing gets new look

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

Old housing is getting a new look.

This month, a projected \$20 million, seven-year revitalization project began that aims to modernize and standardize all of old housing, from rooftops to underground sewer lines. The construction represents an effort by the command to improve the quality of life at USAKA/KMR, according to Glenn Gandara, Facilities Engineering manager.

"There have been some very proactive people in USAKA/KMR over the years who have been trying to improve the quality of life here," he said.

The project actually began at the end of July at Qtrs. 460 and 462, where FOM workers gutted four family units and are now busy reconstructing the three-bedroom homes. Everything but the house frame is being redone or upgraded. The list includes a new roof, central air conditioning, new plumbing and sewer lines, a complete kitchen upgrade, carpets, new exterior doors and windows, a patio cover, an electrical

upgrade and new bathroom additions for the master bedrooms.

Old housing buildings, which consist of 289 family units, were built by Navy battalion crews and civilian contractors between 1951 and 1956. There are four single houses, each with a different floor plan, 106 duplexes of eight different types, 17 four-family buildings of three different types and one five-family building.

Officials say the goal is to rehab up to eight family units every three months. Displaced families are temporarily relocated to a trailer or an empty house (depending on family size), and they may put their belongings into a climate-controlled storage container, according to Bill Strobhar, Housing Services and Special Projects manager.

"It's a lot of inconvenience, but it's worth all of the trouble once they see what we're going to do to these buildings," said Jerry Geronimo, project manager. "When they come back, they'll be surprised."

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I can stop writing this column any time I choose

Today's soapbox rantings, heavy on the bleach, will involve ... wait. I need a soda. I'll be right back ...

... gulp ...

... gulp ...

... Ahh, much better. Now I can concentrate.

Where were we? Oh, yes, lawsuits. Anyway, I'm trying to get together a class-action lawsuit against whoever it is that makes caffeine, because it turns out that I'm addicted to it, as is just about everybody else who reaches for a cup of coffee or soda pop. In a recent news story, researchers found that caffeine was added to soda for no other reason than to addict the general populace in an insidious plot to destroy the frozen orange juice market. Oh, and to conquer the world.

Apparently, it's working. The story said Americans guzzle 15 billion gallons of the syrupy stuff per year — an average of 585 cans per person. At 50 cents a pop, that comes out to \$292.50, which is really quite a bargain when you consider illegal substances like cocaine and marijuana can cost hundreds of dollars for just a few grams or ounces, not to mention potential legal costs and jail time.

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Further, Americans actually drink more soda than they do water, according to researchers, who liken the situation to cigarette makers using nicotine to addict people. That industry, as we know, is up against the ropes, as lawyers, like Mike Tysons in three-piece suits, try to take a big bite out of the companies.

Caffeine and sugar in these sodas, researchers contend, are also bad for our health. This was undoubtedly a federally funded study.

But if a legal foundation can be found to justify a multi-trillion dollar lawsuit against soda companies, think of the litigious possibilities.

Why stop with the soda companies? I mean all those stateside commercials that work on our subconscious minds, planting the seeds of what we want even if we don't need it, are worth a few million dollars in compensation for pain and suffering, at the very least. After all, I'm consuming hundreds of dollars in pop to attract all those beautiful women and to fly through the air like a star athlete as they promise on the commercials, and instead I've got an ulcer, my teeth are rotting out and I couldn't even get a date in Pigsknuckle, Ark. Now that hurts.

Police look into Oceanview Club break-in

By Jim Bennett
Editor

Police investigators are looking into a break-in at the Oceanview Club that occurred Saturday night

or Sunday morning. Forget the commercials. What about those insipid sitcoms they show these days. An episode of a show like "Friends" can actually kill brain cells, according to researchers at the Grem-lin Institute of Forestry and Paranormal Activities. I could be teaching astrophysics at Harvard if I hadn't started watching "The Love Boat" and "The Dukes of Hazzard" at such a young age. Those producers knew I was addicted to Daisy Duke's cutoff jean shorts.

Another example: I really enjoy reading, and have been an avid reader all of my life. One side effect, however, is that I have horrible eyesight and must wear glasses or contacts. Now why did all those book publishers make such interesting books but with such small type? Addiction! Encyclopedia Brown never cared about solving the mystery of the missing peanut butter and jelly sandwich, he just wanted me to be blind so that he could make money for optometrists and book publishers. The author probably was an optometrist himself.

Ah, the conspiracy grows like a Burt Reynolds hair weave ...

Hmm. Maybe I should sue Burt Reynolds instead. If it weren't for those Smoky and the Bandit movies, I wouldn't still be suffering from my fear of high speeds, which is why I moved to Kwajalein in the first place. So, for those of you addicted to this column, don't sue me. I'm not responsible.

or Sunday morning.

According to investigator Sgt. Brian Hinkle, the club office door was found forced open Sunday morning when employees reported to work. A small safe, containing an undisclosed amount of money, was taken.

The safe was found later on the beach behind the club. It had been pried open and the contents were missing.

If you have information about this or any other crime, call KPD investigators at 54403.

— Did You Know? —

Your one-stop shopping place ...

The Post Office is not the only place to get postage stamps. They are also available at Ten-Ten and Gimbels. Additionally, Ten-Ten, Gimbels and Surfway accept in-date coupons.

Sievers leave behind lasting legacy

By Gwyne Copeland
Contributing Writer

In 1973 LeRoy and Helen Claire Sievers arrived on Kwajalein, a young married couple with two small children and another on the way.

Tuesday, LeRoy and his youngest son Charlie, now 21, boarded the ATI flight headed for Boston for the last time. Helen Claire left Kwajalein on Aug. 5.

The Sievers' departure ends 18 years on Kwaj, spread over four tours, spanning nearly 30 years.

LeRoy's four assignments on Kwaj with MIT/Lincoln Lab is a record setter, both for most tours and number of years. Their first tour ended in 1976, but they were back again in 1981 for five years. After two years back in Boston, the Sievers turned up on Kwaj again in 1988, this time for three years. Their final tour was their longest, beginning in 1993.

"It reflects the value we place on the knowledge he has of the missions," said John Leeper, Lincoln Lab site manager.

As an MIT/Lincoln Lab mission test director, LeRoy has worked on the operational testing of the Minuteman III, Peacekeeper, Navy Triton and the new treaty-compliant Minuteman III missile systems. On the defense side, he has worked on testing of the Safeguard, Homing Overlay, ERIS and the current Nation Missile Defense programs.

"He has been the key person for training new test directors and new Army test directors for a number of years," Leeper said.

Reflecting back over the years, LeRoy reminisced about the hardships of moving a young family so far from home.

"There was no telephone connection, only HAM or official radio," LeRoy said. "Milk was a real problem. They had frozen milk in half-pint concentrate at Surfway, but it wouldn't go into solution. It was a nightly ritual to boil it and cool it over night so we'd have milk for the children."

The Sievers came to Kwaj originally, like many people, to save a little money. But it didn't take long

before they fell in love with the island and its people.

"I knew I'd never found a place I liked better on our first tour," said LeRoy.

From the beginning, both LeRoy and Helen Claire looked for ways to improve the lives of Marshallese people and increase understanding between the two cultures. Their commitment never wavered.

Through all four tours Helen Claire and LeRoy served as lay volunteers for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They held English, computer and cooking classes. At one time, 75 to 100 children came from Ebeye each week for religious instruction and organized activities.

When the Sievers returned for their third tour on Kwaj, their children were older, and Helen Claire's service to both Kwajalein and Ebeye kicked into high gear. She served on the Kwajalein School Board, as Mic Shop chair and president of the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club for two years. During that time she started a cultural exchange program with women from Majuro that continues today.

She also worked as a trial assistant in the court system of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and later served two years as the community court judge.

"I think you can do things on Kwaj and Ebeye that you can't do in the states because they need people," said Helen Claire.

The Army honored Helen Claire for her work with the Marshallese people by giving her the Patriotic Civilian Service Award in 1991. It is the highest honor the Army can award a civilian.

But her service didn't end there. During their fourth tour, Helen Claire has made a full-time commitment to the Marshallese people by working on Ebeye. She was hospital administrator there for 21/2 years. Most recently she worked as the principal of Queen of Peace High School for three years.

"I think of her as a true friend and a woman we can trust and depend on," said Kikai Jatio, Queen of Peace



(Photo by Gwyne Copeland)

LeRoy Sievers hugs Polly Muller before he boards an ATI flight Tuesday. LeRoy and Helen Claire Sievers spent much of their four tours and 18 years on Kwajalein helping the Marshallese.

High School PTA president. "Sometimes Helen Claire goes to Majuro with her own money to talk to people about getting grants for the school," Jatio said.

Helen Claire said she'll miss the cross-cultural experiences she's had while living in the Marshalls, especially the friends she's made on Majuro and Ebeye.

The Sievers lived 18 years on Kwajalein has been a great experience for their family.

"It was a very supportive community for the kids to grow up," Helen Claire said.

"I think the kids have a much broader interest in world affairs and they really learned about other cultures. Living here removed prejudices from them," LeRoy said.

Four of the Sievers' five children graduated from Kwajalein Junior/Senior High School. Three of the children were Presidential Scholars.

LeRoy's legacy on Kwajalein won't end this week. According to Leeper, LeRoy will continue to work on software designed to alert test directors when something isn't going right. In a way, the software will capture LeRoy's and other test directors' knowledge and keep it right here on Kwaj.

Violent storm rips across Kwajalein ...

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and meteorologists saw nothing but red, purple and white images on the radar screens.

"We took the brunt of it here," Sinkula said, noting Roi-Namur recorded only 30-35 mph winds.

Along with the gusting straight winds, the storm included lightning and dumped more than an inch of rain in an hour.

The rainfall capped an already wet weekend during which the island received more than three inches of rain.

As the storm passed, an islandwide assessment, not unlike an emergency room triage, began, according to the RSE Safety Office.

An electrical panel blown off a home in new housing left conduits exposed and posed a threat to residents. The roofing on an electrical substation was blown off creating the potential for a short out. Workers scrambled to protect the electrical equipment from exposure. Sheet metal roofing blown loose from the hangar roof could have become missiles in the next heavy wind. Crews worked to secure the panels.

Firefighters began cutting up trees blown across streets, trees that would stop fire trucks from reaching emergencies later, if necessary.



(Photos by Jim Bennett)

Solly Lokar rakes up debris in front of the Kwaj Lodge Sunday morning after a storm passed over the island.

Other areas checked included the water plant, fuel farm and mission-critical areas, as well as the playgrounds and recreational areas.

Safety officials added it was a good thing the storm hit at night rather than day when people would have been out on the streets.

Non-emergency cleanup efforts began early Sunday morning.

"The people stepped up and I was impressed," said Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA/KMR commander. "They weren't just working on their homes, but public areas, parks and beaches. It shows great community support."



A trampoline belonging to the Stoddard family is wrapped around a tree in the Scott family yard across the street.



Traditional structures at the Marshallese Cultural Center lie flattened from the heavy gusts.

Study nets Aeromet award

By Jim Bennett
Editor

NOAA research meteorologist Don Nelson describes atmospheric radiation trends in much the same way as an accountant describes a budget.

"It's net gain and loss," Nelson said Wednesday from the top of a research building located to the right of the #4 fairway at Holmberg Fairways Golf Course.

Nelson came to Kwajalein this week to work on the NOAA solar radiation study equipment and present local weather contractor, Aeromet, with an Earth Day 2000 Environmental Heroes award, given on behalf of Vice President Al Gore for the company's work on the project.

"It's nice to be recognized," said J. Mark Fair, Aeromet site manager. "Our site is one of many sites around the world, but long-term, high-quality records are extremely important for our environment."

Aeromet was one of 72 honorees this year; 68 individuals and four organizations were recognized.

Aeromet technicians here work on the equipment daily, cleaning lenses and maintaining the gear against the elements, Fair said.

The study site on Kwajalein, a part of the global Baseline Surface Radiation Network, measures visible and infrared radiation naturally present from the sun's rays. Sensors take measurements every second, average the measurements by the minute and present the data to NOAA for analysis. Scientists can then compare the data with measurements



(Photo by Jim Bennett)

NOAA meteorologist Don Nelson works on equipment designed to measure solar radiation at Kwajalein. Aeromet technicians have maintained the equipment for more than 10 years, leading to a recent Environmental Heroes award.

taken from satellites as they pass over the site. This allows scientists to calibrate their instruments and establish baselines for future radiation studies.

Aeromet began working with the solar radiation study in 1989, taking measurements on a volunteer basis. They've since arranged for some reimbursement.

In 1991, the sensors examined changes resulting from the eruption of the volcano Pinatubo in the Philippines. The site also has measured changes in greenhouse gases and worked with the Tropical Rainfall Measurement Mission.

The sensors were upgraded with new filters in 1996, and that's when Nelson came into the picture. Since then, he comes to Kwajalein once a year, if everything goes right. His

next mission may bring him to Kwaj with a new all-sky camera that correlates cloud cover with radiation data.

"This is an ideal place for these measurements," Nelson said.

Why?

The surrounding ocean provides a constant for radiation levels rising from the surface of the planet. The only thing to measure is the incoming radiation.

Also, the atmosphere here provides good upper air soundings, taken by Aeromet. Those measurements and others dovetail with those taken by the solar equipment, Nelson said.

Curious about the weather program? Check out the Aeromet website at www.kmr-wx.com or NOAA at www.cmdl.noaa.gov.

Old housing revitalization project to last about seven years ...

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Not everything will come as a surprise. Geronimo said some of the new features in the homes, such as exhaust fans in the restrooms, are being added by request of residents. In addition, plumbing and electrical lines will be covered inside the homes.

About 15 workers are currently employed on the project. Officials

say eventually they hope to field a full team of about 35. Still, even at half strength, they expect to meet the 90-day turnaround for these first four homes.

"That's our goal," Gandara said.

Gandara and Geronimo emphasized that teamwork is playing a key role in keeping the project on track.

"It's a lot of work. There is a lot of

work to be done, but we have a lot of good support from the shops, so we should have it done on time," Geronimo said.

In other construction news around the atoll, the Reef BQ is about 60 percent complete. The Roi-Namur Power Plant is 36 percent complete, and the new Meck silo project was completed and accepted on July 14.

Classified Ads and Community Notices**HELP WANTED**

The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Andrea, 51296.

KAPS AIDE, Education Dept. Part time. Classroom assistant needed for preschool and school-age service programs. Responsibilities include assistance with snack preparation, food sanitation procedures, safety and supervision of children and active participation in a wide variety of recreational activities. Must possess a cheerful, energetic spirit and be able to work well with children. Criminal history background check required.

CASHIER, Tape Escape. Part time, evenings and weekends. Must be customer service-oriented and able to work independently. Computer skills helpful.

LIBRARY AIDE, Grace Sherwood Library. Part time. Customer service-oriented person to assist with front desk duties and perform various clerical tasks including typing, data entry, filing, shelving and maintaining the library. Must be self-motivated, enjoy working with the public and be able to work a flexible schedule including some evenings and weekends.

Raytheon off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.

TEACHERS NEEDED at Queen of Peace High School on Gugeegue. Full or part time. Stipend paid. Call Gwyne at 53721.

SECURITY ASSISTANT, USAKA/KMR, GS-07 level. For more information, call Terry Morton, 54417.

OFFICE AUTOMATION ASSISTANTS and SECRETARY. USAKA/KMR has several GS-06 positions and one GS-07 position available. Call Terry, 54417.

WANTED

COUPLE OR individual for daycare in our home our yours, 1-2 days a week for 15-month-old daughter. We work on Meck, and the hours would be 5:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Pay and days needed are negotiable. Call 52367 and leave a message.

TWO-DRAWER metal file cabinet with lock. Call 53715 after 5 p.m.

YOKWE YUK Women's Club is collecting used toys for the Headstart Program on Ujal. Needed: balls, cars, trucks, dolls, building blocks, crayons and anything for 5- year-olds. Deliver to Dianne at Qtrs. 203-A, or call 55990.

LONG-SLEEVED dresses, girls' size 7 or 8. Call Amy at 51128.

LOST

ANKLE BRACELET, gold, with dolphin and heart charms. Lost near Kwajalein Hospi-

tal and Tropics BQ. Return to hospital or call 53406. Great sentimental value.

CAT, ORANGE and white, big, with green eyes. Answers to the name of Billy. Call 53694.

HUFFY BIKE, power cam, chain rusted, as is the bottom of seat pole, around the seat pole is red chain. Call 52267.

TWO KEYS on a green plastic clip. Call 52589.

FOUND

CAMERA, near Ten-Ten. Call Michelle at 54432.

GOLD LOOP earring, small, adult pool; CD CASE with 11 music CDs. Call 51128.

CHILD'S BASKETBALL at Western Street playground, in early July. Call 51114.

CLASSES AND COURSES

STAINED GLASS class offered by Kwajalein Art Guild with instructor Paul Savage on Wednesdays, from Sept. 6 to Oct. 4, 7 to 9 p.m. Cost is \$50 plus supplies. Registration forms available on mini-mall bulletin board. First six students with registration and deposit reserve slots. Questions? Call Karen, 51391.

ISLAND ORIENTATION will be held Aug. 30, from 8 to 11:30 a.m. in CAC Room #6. All new island arrivals and dependents over 12 years old are encouraged to attend.

LEARN TO play the bagpipes. Kwajalein Pipes and Drums is accepting beginning students who are interested in being part of the band. No previous musical experience necessary. Call Greg at 51464.

SERVICES OFFERED

RESPONSIBLE 13-YEAR-OLD able to babysit all ages after school, weekends and evenings. References available. Call Stefanie at 52648.

FOR SALE

FISHER PRICE playhouse, \$60; Fisher Price indoor play kitchen with accessories, \$40. Call 51815.

SUITCASES: 26" Samsonite soft side, blue-grey color, side pockets, wheels, excellent condition, \$50; large, navy blue Jordache soft-side duffle, seldom used, \$30; hanging garment bag, folds in half to carry on plane, \$15. Call 53759 after 5 p.m.

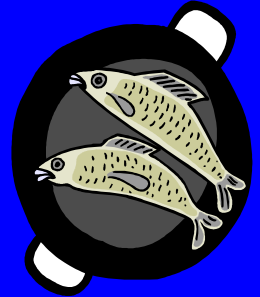
RECTANGULAR PLANTERS, 24' x 6', \$3 each; full-size sheets, ivory-fitted, \$4 each; one white fiat, \$2; full-size bed skirt, seafoam green, \$5; short black pareo (swimsuit coverup), large, new, \$5; wide brim straw hat, new, \$5; citronella candles (18), \$5 for all. Call 54879 until 9 p.m.

GAS GRILL with two bottles of gas, \$80. Call Mike at 52826 after 4:30 p.m.

ARTS AND crafts supplies by the Kwajalein

Kwajalein Yacht Club

will host a fish fry Saturday,
Aug. 26. Business meeting
begins at 6:30 p.m.
We will be saying a fond fare-
well to
longtime
friend and
member
Eric
Stevens,
who has
been on
island for
17 years.



Art Guild Sundays, from noon-1 p.m. at the Art Annex. Questions? Call Dana, 54216.

PANASONIC stereo A-5 unit CD changer, dual cassette, speakers and remote, less than a year old, excellent condition, \$175. Call 52306.

ASSOCIATED RCL0T-3 remote control truck, two batteries, quick charger and other accessories, \$450 or best offer; Sony laptop, 14.1" screen, 2xDVD, 64mb RAM, 400 mhz processor, all in one style, \$1,800 or best offer. Call Mike at 52929W or 53766H.

STUDENT TRUMPET, \$150. Call 52319.

FIRE ESCAPE ladder, \$5; wood boat model kits, paid \$75, will sell for \$10; 10-lb. barbell weight, \$2; 100' non-kinking garden hose, \$10; kitchen/dining room counter divider, \$15; bike baskets, \$3. Call 52342.

TWO COLOR and two black and white ink cartridges for Epson 850 or Epson 600 color inkjet printer, \$10 takes all. Call 52344.

KENMORE DISTILLER from Sears, one gallon, plus container, cleaner and filters, paid \$107 new, will sell for \$50. Call 53640 before 9 p.m.

MULTI-FUNCTION PRINTER/copier/fax/scanner, Brother MFC 4500ML, black and white, \$200; mini-stereo system, digital am/fm tuner, double tape deck, separate speakers with remote control, \$50. Call 52589.

LEATHER ROCKER/recliner, white, \$75 or best offer. Call 52115.

FISH TANK, 40 gallon, with Magnum 350 filter and lots of extras, \$100. Call 53500 before 9 p.m.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KWAJALEIN DANCE Association plans to offer ballroom and country dance lessons in September. Call Donna at 53470, eve-

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KWAJALEIN TOWN HALL
WEDNESDAY,
AUG. 30, 6:30 P.M.
CAC ROOM 6



Share your ideas, thoughts, suggestions and concerns with Col. Curtis Wrenn, USAKA/KMR commander. The commander will share his long-term plan and vision for the community.

*Welcome Col. Wrenn in the true spirit of a town hall
... a community working and living side-by-side.*

nings, if you wish to receive an information flyer. Recent students are already on the mailing list.

FRIDAY NIGHT Mixed Bowling League will start its Fall 2000 season Sept. 1. A league meeting will be held at 6 p.m.; bowling begins at 6:15 p.m. Sign up at the bowling center or call Hal Dunn to secure a position on a team or for more info at 53691.

NEW TO Kwaj? The Yokwe Yuk Women's Club is hosting a Newcomers Coffee Aug. 25 at 9 a.m. at Qtrs. 227-A. Come meet new friends and find out what the island has to offer. Questions? Call Dianne, 55990.

REGISTRATION FOR Cub Scouts will be on Aug. 26 at 7 p.m. at CAC Room 6. If your son is in first through fifth grade and is interested, come hear about scouting and the fun events scheduled for the upcoming year.

SAFETY GLASSES and prescription glasses from Dr. Yamamoto have arrived from his July visit. Call 52225 to arrange pickup.

FALL ADULT Softball managers' meeting will be held Wednesday, Aug. 30, in CRC Room 1 at 6:30 p.m. Managers, please bring your rosters and registration fee of \$150. If you are interested in playing softball but don't have a team to play on, come to the meeting and we'll get you on one. If there are any questions, call Ian at Community Activities, 53331.

YOKWE YUK Women's Club is sponsoring an outer island school supplies donation drive. We need pencils, paper, scissors, colored pencils and so forth. For more information or to drop off a donation contact Dianne, Qtrs. 203-A, 55990; Ann,

Qtrs. 135-B, 53659; or Joanie, Tr. 137, 51452.

GEORGE SEITZ Elementary School is seeking volunteers to be the president and vice president or two people to be co-presidents for the 2000-2001 PTO Board. Call Nancy, 50225.

DONATIONS OF toiletries, lotions, soap, shampoo and other items from those overseas trips are needed for the Grace Sherwood Library donation box.

KWAJALEIN ART Guild Holiday Bazaar applications are located on the mini-mall bulletin board. Call Dana, 54216.

PREGNANT? For caring and confidential advice, call 1-800-395-HELP.

CHURCH OF CHRIST meets Sundays, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in CRC Room 1. Bible classes are Thursdays, 7 to 8 p.m., in CRC Room 6.

AUGUST BOAT lot inspection will be held Aug. 22-26. Please make sure your lots are in order. Questions? Call Jennifer at 53643 (Kwaj) or Karin at 56580 (Roi).

Can you show someone how to paint an ocean view? Weave a basket? Take a photograph? Make jewelry? Sculpt clay? Use Photoshop?

The Kwajalein Art Guild needs teachers for classes or workshops. Call Karen at 51391 in the evenings for information.

Book Blurbs
from
Grace Sherwood Library



Recommendations from Grace Sherwood Library:

In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex by Nathaniel Philbrick - Herman Melville's inspiration for his novel "Moby Dick" was the actual 19th century attack on the Nantucket whale ship *Essex*. This suspenseful, true account depicts man's struggle to survive against thirst, starvation and the strength of the sea.

It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life by Lance Armstrong - Winner of the Tour de France, this cancer survivor's memoir reflects on life as a husband, father, son and human being.

The Lost Explorer: Finding Mallory on Mount Everest by Conrad Anker - In 1999 Anker found the body and belongings of George Mallory, lost at 27,000 feet on Mount Everest in 1924. Attempting to piece together clues about Mallory's disappearance, the author presents his conclusions about the fateful climb and includes fascinating insights into the history of climbing.

Michael Palin's Hemingway Adventure by Michael Palin - Palin, the former Monty Python star turned traveler, digs up details of Hemingway's life as he visits the author's old haunts, which include Key West, Cuba, Africa, Paris and Spain. The book is embellished with quotes from Hemingway's work and color photos.

Shrub: The Short But Happy Political Life of George W. Bush by Molly Ivins - Bush the younger is satirized by this Texas-syndicated journalist, who takes a hard look at the Lone Star State's governor's political record and asks the reader if this man could be the leader of the free world.

Classified Ad Deadlines
Tuesday issue: noon Friday
Friday issue: noon Wednesday

See you at the movies!**Saturday****Special Welcome Back Celebration
Double Feature at the Rich:****The Land Before Time (1988, G)**

A young orphaned dinosaur must make his way to a green valley where his group can find food. Along the way he encounters new friends in different dinosaurs. (Voices of Pat Hingle, Gabriel Damon) (69 minutes)
Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Jurassic Park (1993, PG-13)

A billionaire develops a theme park with real, genetically engineered dinosaurs. As scientists come to visit, something goes wrong and the dinosaurs get out of control. (Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum) (126 minutes)

Richardson Theater, 9:30 p.m.

Romeo Must Die (New Release, R)

Loosely based on Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," martial arts star Jet Li plays a man who tries to avenge his brother's death at the hands of a rival gang, until he falls in love with the killer's sister. (Aaliyah, Russell Wong) (115 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

The Lost World: Jurassic Park (1997, PG-13)

In the sequel to Jurassic Park, we learn of a second island filled with dinosaurs. Again, scientists venture to the park, where things go awry. (Jeff Goldblum, Julianne Moore) (134 minutes)

Tradewinds Theater, 8 p.m.

Sunday**The Band Wagon (Classic, 1953)**

Fred Astaire is a Hollywood actor who plies his craft on Broadway. Includes dance number, "That's Entertainment." (Cyd Charise) (112 minutes)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

The Lost World: Jurassic Park (1997, PG-13)

Richardson Theater, 9:30 p.m.

Romeo Must Die (New Release, R)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Jurassic Park (1993, PG-13)

Tradewinds Theater, 9:30 p.m.

Monday**The Land Before Time (1988, G)**

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Romeo Must Die (New Release, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

KSC to host islandwide cleanup Sept. 17

By Steve Moore

Kwajalein Scuba Club

The Kwajalein Scuba Club is coordinating an islandwide cleanup of the island and the surrounding waters on Sunday, Sept. 17.

The cleanup is being held in conjunction with Project AWARE, an annual event sponsored by the Professional Association of Dive Instructors (PADI) as part of an international beach and waterway improvement project.

The effort has two major goals: To improve the marine and beach habitats around the world while collecting data on the type and amount of trash being found on beaches and in the ocean. Participants will receive trash bags and data sheets to collect and document the amount of cans, plastic, Styrofoam, fishing line and other categories of refuse they find. This information is compiled by PADI to highlight the need to reduce ocean dumping and categorize risks that

these items pose to the marine environment.

The scuba club is trying to enlist the support of other clubs and civic organizations on Kwajalein. Interested clubs and individuals can meet at the scuba club tankhouse, adjacent to the Small Boat Marina, between 7:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Sept. 17.

The club will provide plastic trash bags, tally sheets and pickup trucks with drivers to assist participants. Areas will be assigned, or groups can elect to clean areas of their choice.

After picking up the trash, return it to the tankhouse, where it will be weighed and documented.

All participants will be provided free hot dogs, chips and refreshments upon returning, and prizes will be awarded for the most trash of each category collected on land and under water.

For more information, or to sign up, contact Steve Moore at 57072 or 52517.

Beginning Band meetings set for next week

From the Music Department

Fifth-grade students and their parents will have two opportunities to learn about the school band program — at a meeting on Thursday, Aug. 31, or Friday, Sept. 1, both at 7 p.m. in the elementary school music room.

Instrument rental and purchase will be discussed, as well as an overview of the band program in Kwajalein schools. A representative of a music store will be available to rent

and sell instruments. Sixth grade students who wish to join the band program but did not start as fifth-graders are also invited to attend.

The fifth-grade Beginning Band is one of five bands in the school music program, which involves well over 150 students in instrumental music. Sixth-grade Cadet Band, Junior Band for junior high musicians, Stage Band and high school Concert Band complete the school band ensemble.

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a couple of showers.

Winds: East-northeast at 12 to 17 knots, with gusts to 30 knots near showers.

Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with a shower or two.

Winds: East-northeast at 12 to 17 knots, with higher gusts possible near showers.

Temperature: Tonight's low 76°
Tomorrow's high 86°

August rain total: 10.33"

Annual rain total: 55.21"

Annual deviation: -1.12"

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**Sun • Moon • Tides**

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday August 22	0642/1903	/1207	0812, 4.3' 2054, 4.4'	0208, 1.7' 1425, 1.6'
Wednesday August 23	0642/1903	0016/1302 Last Qtr. Moon	0916, 3.8' 2221, 4.3'	0317, 2.1' 1529, 2.0'
Thursday August 24	0642/1902	0107/1400	1110, 3.5'	0512, 2.2' 1714, 2.2'
Friday August 25	0642/1902	0203/1500	0014, 4.4' 1311, 3.7'	0711, 2.0' 1859, 2.0'